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## NOTES RAIL, BUS, AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

BERLIN FREIGHT BELT COMPLETED -- Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, No 36, 13 May 50

The freight belt around Berlin, which the Berlin Reichsbahn Directorate started in 1948, has now been completed. The last 50-kilometer stretch between Marzahn and Oranienburg, via Karow-Schoenwalde, has been opened to traffic. This new railroad line makes it possible to handle all Soviet Zone traffic without touching the West Sector of Berlin.

APPOINTS NEW HEAD OF REICHSBAHN DIRECTORATE -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 138, 16 Jun 50

Hans Uhle has been appointed President of the Dresden Railroad Directorate by Kreikemeyer, the General Director of the German Reichsbahn. Uhle formerly headed the Chemnitz Reichsbahn Office. He comes from a worker's family and has been politically active and a trade union member since his early youth.

BRIDGE OPENED TO TRAFFIC -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 139, 17 Jun 50

The bridge on National Highway 6 near Jenkwitz, between Bautzen and Loebau, was completed 4 weeks ahead of schedule and turned over to traffic. The bridge is 25 meters long and 10 meters wide, and is of great importance to traffic between Dresden and Goerlitz. This completes restoration of the three bridges near Bautzen which were blasted by Hitler troops in 1945.

START BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 138, 16 Jun 50

Construction work has been started on the new North Bridge over the Elbe River and on the adjoining Herrenkrug Bridge over the river arm known as the old Elbe, in Magdeburg. The new bridge will be of importance for the Magdeburg-Berlin traffic on National Highway 1.

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NEW BRIDGE COMPLETED -- Volksstimme, No 132, 10 Jun 50

The new bridge over the Chemnitz River at Heinrich-Lorenz Strasse in Chemnitz was completed on 3 June 1950 and opened to traffic on 10 June 1950. The bridge has a 60-ton capacity.

MORE STREETCARS IN EASTERN BERLIN -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 133, 10 Jun 50

People-owned railroad car factories in East Germany have returned 110 street-cars to the BVG (Berling Streetcar Company) after a general overhaul. Altogether 144 streetcars have been turned in for general overhaul; the remaining 34 are expected to be delivered shortly. The BVG in Eastern Berlin now has 663 serviceable streetcars (including both motor cars and trailer cars).

PLAN NEW BUS STATION -- Die Wirtschaft, No 23, 8 Jun 50

The Investment Plan provides 300,000 Deutsche marks for construction of a new bus station in Magdeburg in 1950. The station, which will handle long-distance passengers, will have several garages and storehouses, an administration building, and a large hotel where drivers can stay overnight.

NEW BUS LINES IN SACHSEN -- Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, No 36, 13 May 50

The Sachsen Federation of People-Owned Enterprises for Motor Traffic has established 21 new bus lines in Eastern Sachsen, the Erzgebirge, and Vogtland. This Federation now operates 113 bus lines. The new lines mainly serve industrial centures.

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